

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 41, line 13, as follows:

Into 150 ml of water were suspended 55.9 g of sodium carbonate and 38.6 g of phenylboronic acid. Thereto was added 51.4 g of ethyl 4-bromo-3-methylbenzoate dissolved in 400 ml of toluene and then was added 4.0 g of tetrakis(triphenylphosphine) palladium, followed by 2 hours of reflux with heating. After the reaction solution was cooled to room temperature, filtration was conducted using celite, water was added to the filtrate and the organic layer was extracted with toluene. After the organic layer was dried over anhydrous magnesium sulfate, the solvent was removed by evaporation and the resulting residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography (hexane:ethyl acetate) to obtain 50.4 g of ethyl 2-methylbiphenyl-4-carboxylate as a colorless oil.

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 42, line 17, as follows:

In 50 ml of DMF was dissolved 13.6 g of ethyl 2-(bromoethyl)biphenyl-4-carboxylate, and then a suspension of 50 ml of DMF, 6.2 ml of piperidine, and 9.2 g of potassium carbonate were added thereto under ice cooling, followed by 3 hours of stirring at room temperature. Water was added to the reaction solution, the whole was extracted with ethyl acetate, and the resulting organic layer was dried over anhydrous magnesium sulfate, followed by removal of the solvent by evaporation. The obtained residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography (chloroform:methanol:aqueous ammonia) to obtain 12.6 g of ethyl 2-(piperidin-1-ylmethyl)biphenyl-4-carboxylate as a pale yellow oil.

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 67, line 11, as follows:

To 30 ml of thionyl chloride were added 500 mg of a mixture of 2-(piperidin-1-ylmethyl)biphenyl-4-carboxylic acid and 1.5 equivalents of sodium chloride and 1 drop of DMF under ice cooling, followed by 2 hours of stirring at room temperature. The reaction solution was concentrated under reduced pressure and toluene was added to the residue, followed by concentration under reduced pressure. After the residue was dried under reduced pressure, 20 ml of methylene chloride was added. Under ice cooling, 277 mg of 3,4,5-trichloroaniline and 0.59 ml of triethylamine were added to the reaction mixture, and the whole was stirred at room temperature for 3 hours and at 40°C overnight. The reaction mixture was concentrated under reduced pressure and the residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography (chloroform:methanol:aqueous ammonia) to obtain *N*-(3,4,5-trichlorophenyl)-2-(piperidin-1-ylmethyl)biphenyl-4-carboxamide. The compound was dissolved in chloroform and 1ml of a 4M dioxane solution of hydrochloric acid was added thereto. The solvent was removed by evaporation and the resulting oil was crystallized from ether to obtain 450 mg of *N*-(3,4,5-trichlorophenyl)-2-(piperidin-1-ylmethyl)biphenyl-4-carboxamide hydrochloride as a white powder.